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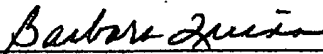
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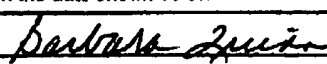
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As set forth in the Office Action mailed October 30, 2006, the Examiner asserts that claims 1-15 (Group I) and claims 16 - 17 (Group II) are drawn to patentably distinct subject matter. The Examiner therefore requires Applicant to select for examination the claims of Group I or the claim of Group II.

In response, Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the invention identified in Group I, claims 1-15, and to cancel claims 16 and 17.